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REMARKS

Claims 20-22, 24, 25, 27, 46, 48, 49, 51, 56, 60, and 65 are pending in the present application.

In the above amendments, claims 20, 24, 25, 27, 46, 48, 49, 51, 56, 60, and 65 have been amended, and claims 1-19, 23, 26, 28-45, 47, 50, 52-55, 57-59, 61-64 have been canceled without prejudice.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the disclosure, rejected claims 1, 5-7, 11-12, 16, 20-24, 28, 32, 36-38, 42, 46-48, 52-55, 57-59, and 61-64 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kuwahara (6,363,255), rejected claims 2-4, 8-10, 13-15, 17-19, 29-31, 33-35, 39-41, and 43-45 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kuwahara in view of Yoo et al. (6,085,091), and objected to claims 25-27, 49-51, 56, 60, and 65 as reciting allowable subject matter.

The disclosure has been amended by inserting the appropriate serial numbers.

Claims 25, 27, 49, 51, 56, 60, and 65 have been rewritten into independent form as suggested by the Examiner and therefore, are now deemed allowable. Claim 20 has been amended by incorporating the limitations of claims 23 and allowable claim 26, and claim 46 has been amended by incorporating the limitations of claims 47 and allowable claim 50. Therefore, claims 20 and 46 are now deemed allowable.

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REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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